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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC
Docket No. 2018-3-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Pursuant to the Commission's letter order dated March 14, 2018, I have enclosed on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC"), an Affidavit indicating that the Notice of Hearing and Prefile Testimony Deadlines in the above-referenced docket has been provided to DEC's retail customers in South Carolina by bill insert starting April 9, 2018 and completed on May 9, 2018.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 803.988.7130.

Sincerely,

Rebecca J. Dulin

Enclosure

cc: Ms. C. Lessie Hammonds, Office of Regulatory Staff
Mr. Jeffrey M. Nelson, Office of Regulatory Staff
Ms. Heather Shirley Smith, Duke Energy
Mr. Frank Ellerbee, Sowell Gray Robinson Stepp Laffitte, LLC

**BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

DOCKET NO. 2018-3-E

In the Matter of

Annual review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of
Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC


AFFIDAVIT

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, Thyais Massey, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is a Senior Revenue Analyst for Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; that under her direction and supervision, the Notice of Hearing and Prefile Testimony Deadlines attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein has been furnished either by U.S. mail, or by electronic mail to customers who have agreed to receive the Notice by electronic mail, to all applicable customers of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.

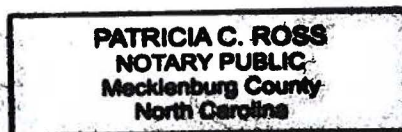
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.


Thyais Massey

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this the 16 day of May, 2018.



Notary Public for North Carolina
My Commission Expires: 10-17-2019



PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CLERK'S OFFICE

NOTICE OF HEARING AND PREFILE TESTIMONY DEADLINES

DOCKET NO. 2018-3-E

Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC

S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-865 (Supp. 2017) established a procedure for annual hearings to allow the Commission and all interested parties to review the fuel purchasing practices and policies of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and for the Commission to determine if any adjustment in the fuel cost recovery mechanism is necessary and reasonable. Section 58-27-865(B) states, in part, "Upon conducting public hearings in accordance with the law, the Commission shall direct each company to place in effect in its base rate an amount designed to recover, during the succeeding twelve months, the fuel costs determined by the Commission to be appropriate for that period, adjusted for the over-recovery or under-recovery from the preceding twelve-month period." Coincident with this proceeding and pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-39-140, the Commission will also determine whether an increase or decrease should be granted in the fuel cost component designed to recover the incremental or avoided costs incurred by the Company to implement the distributed energy resource program previously approved by the Commission.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-817 and S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-865(B), on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Thursday, September 13, 2018, at 10:30 a.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **June 15, 2018**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2018-3-E and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.*** Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and Heather S. Smith, Esquire, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, 40 W. Broad Street, Suite 690, Greenville, South Carolina 29601, on or before **June 15, 2018**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2018-3-E.***

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and ***Docket No. 2018-3-E.***

INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD (Applicants, Petitioners, and Intervenors only):

All Parties of Record must prefile testimony with the Commission and with all Parties of Record. Prefiled Testimony Deadlines: Applicant's **Direct Testimony Due: 7/27/2018**; Other Parties of Record **Direct Testimony Due: 8/17/2018**; Applicant's **Rebuttal Testimony Due: 8/24/2018**; and Other Parties of Record **Surrebuttal Testimony Due: 8/31/2018**. All prefiled testimony deadlines are subject to the information as posted on www.psc.sc.gov under ***Docket No. 2018-3-E.***

Please be advised that failure to comply with the instructions contained herein could result in your proposed witnesses' testimony and exhibits being excluded in the subject proceeding. Additionally, please note that failure to comply with the above on or before the dates indicated may result in the **DISMISSAL** of your pleading.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.

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